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SENSOR AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SAME

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Further to the Status Inquiry filed October 17, 2006, it is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive a Filing Receipt from the Patent and Trademark Office.

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